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SUBJECT

Inquiry re Various Suspects.

H. Perry of the Electr. Dept., S.M.C.

M. Rothschild, Austrian

Schaller, German

J.C. Lewis, American

Michel Weill, German Subject

Dr. Voretzsch, German

H. Glaeser, German

Bruckner, al. Hindu

Nielsen, German

Ernest Hertzfeldt, German

Dr. Ito, Japanese.

HERTZFELDT (Ernest)

Description: German, 35 years old, tall and fairly stout, round white face, clean shaven, short sighted and wears glasses; was employed in Werner, Rudenberg & Co., 77 Szechuen Road in December 1916, and was living in No. 28

Movements from 11/12/16 to 10/1/17. See File No. 787.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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CENTRAL POLICE Station.

16th March. 1917.

REPORT ON J. Lewis.

Made by D.E. Givens.

Forwarded by.

Sir,

The information given in the attached report regarding Lewis was obtained from the Chinese servants at his home, No. 24 Haskell Road, and confirmed by inquiries at the offices of "The Star." *It is incorrect and the cause of the error is now being investigated.*

Further inquiries go to show that Lewis is at present in San Francisco. One of his Shanghai friends received a letter from him this morning, which was written on the note paper of the Hotel Herald, 244 and Jones Street, San Francisco. Lewis requested that the reply be addressed c/o Y.M.C.A. of that city. He stated in the missive that he is at present attending a course of lectures in engineering at the Y.M.C.A., and is making a special study of the construction of gas engines and electrical accessories. He hopes to return to Shanghai next August, when he will start *a* motor business here.

Mrs. Lewis booked a passage for herself and her family the last time the S.S. "China" sailed but she got sick while on her way to Woosung, and turned back. She remarked to an acquaintance a few days afterwards that if Lewis wanted her to go to San Francisco, he would have to come and fetch her. She and her husband often cable to each other. They seem to have plenty of money.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D.E. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

*Report result
of investigation
was*

*Nelson was
not at the Hotel
Herald on 13th
was*

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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CENTRAL POLICE

Station.

20th March,

1917.

REPORT ON Incorrect Information re J. C. Lewis.

Made by D. H. Givens.

Forwarded by

Chief Detective Inspector

Sir,

The investigation shows that since the departure of J. C. Lewis for America, his wife has rented portion of her house to a family named Strauss, the head of which is employed as a reporter by "The War." The Chinese rendering of the names Strauss and Lewis is almost identical. When the Police Agent inquired about Lewis from the boy at No. 24 Haskell Road, it would appear that the latter thought he meant Strauss. A similar misunderstanding seems to have occurred when Interpreter Lau made inquiries at the offices of "The War."

Enquiries show that Mrs. Lewis employs Japanese servants, and Strauss Chinese, so it is quite likely that the latter's boy never heard the name of the former.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. H. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

See 898 re Dr Voretsch.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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CENTRAL POLICE

Station.

13th March,

1917.

REPORT ON German Suspects.

Made by D.S. Givens.

Forwarded by

Sir,

The following are the present addresses of the suspects who were formerly watched:-

Name	Place of Business.	Private Address.
M. Rothchild (American)	112 Szechuen Road	Kalee Hotel
H. Glaeser (German)	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	191 Bubbling Well Road.
Nielsen (German)	No genuine employment.	Astor House
Ernest Hertzfeldt. (German)	Rudenberg, Werner & Co., 77 Szechuen Rd.	28 Carter Road.
Schaller (German)	German Consulate.	Room No. 11 German Club
X J. C. Lewis (American)	"The War," 42 Nanking Road.	24 Haskell Road.
Dr. Voretsch (German)	Formerly worked for German Consulate, and to Hankow about 3 months ^{weeks} ago.	Hankow.
M. Weil (German)	Soyka & Co. 32 Canton Road.	271 Avenue Joffre.
Dr. Ito (Japanese)	Doctor.	No. 1 Hou Foh Terrace.
Lindu (American)	Unemployed.	

Your obedient servant,

D.S. Givens
Detective Sergeant.

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Chief Detective Inspector.

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To
Tel. No. 884.

Dr. Jm. E. A. Voretzch
former German Consul
at Hongkong -

Supposed to have
been in Shanghai during
the month of May
with a Chinese
interpreter

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Central Police

Station.

20th January, 1917.

REPORT ON M. Rothchild.

Made by D.S. Givens.

Forwarded by

Sir,

Regarding attached, I beg to report that M. Rothchild, who lives in the Kalee Hotel, ~~and~~ works in the China Produce Co., No. 112 Szechuen Road. He has been several years in China and is probably an Austrian subject. He is said to have several Austrian and German friends. An open watch was kept on him from 12th December 1916 to 11th instant, and nothing suspicious was noted in his movements during that time.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.P. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

D.S.
There appears to be some overlapping of
sundry work, for as you will see he
was watched for a month and a
report sent in more than a week
ago. Is any further info. required?

20/17.

J.P. Givens

P.S. According to ad. in N. C. D. News on May 18, 1917,
Rothschild has severed his connection with Chinese
Produce Co and China Export and Import Co.

J.P. Givens

Shanghai Municipal Police.

C. I.
No. 787
Date 1/11/17

Central Police Station.

12th January, 1917.

REPORT ON Various Suspects.

Made by D.S.Givens.

Forwarded by

Sir,

In accordance with instructions, the watch on various suspects was discontinued on 11th instant. There was nothing suspicious noted in their movements between ^{the inst} and that date.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.P. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

H. C.

No. 787
11/1/17

Central Police Station.

10th January, 1917.

REPORT ON J. C. Lewis.

Made by D.S. Givens.

Forwarded by Chief Detective Inspector

Sir,

With reference to my report of this a.m. re various suspects,
I beg to report that J. C. Lewis left for Japan by the S.S.
Ecuador on 8th instant.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. P. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

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Central Police Station.

10th January, 1917.

REPORT ON Various Suspects.

Made by D.S. Givens. Forwarded by

Sir,

Regarding attached, M. Rothchild still visits the German Bank, the German Post Office and the German Consulate, otherwise nothing suspicious has been noticed in his movements.

Nothing unusual has been noted in the actions of Schaller during the past week.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, J. C. Lewis visited numerous exchange shops in various parts of the Settlement, and inquired about the rates of exchange, but transacted no business. He was not seen yesterday left for Japan on the "Canton" on Jan 8.

Well seems to be an ordinary business man. Nothing unusual has been noticed about him.

Dr. Voretsh attends his office every day, and Nielsen calls on him every afternoon.

H. Glaeser continues to lead a quiet, regular life. He seems to be doing nothing apart from his ordinary business.

During the past week Nielsen has a few times visited No. 32 Yangtsepoo Road, where he formerly lived.

Hertzfeldt seems to do nothing apart from his ordinary business.

Dr. Ito does very little business at present. He rarely leaves his house, and no Germans have been seen visiting him.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

Please stop these
watchmen from this
gate
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Shanghai Municipal Police.

Central Police

Station.

January 3rd,

1917.

REPORT ON Various Suspects.

Made by D.S. Givens.

Forwarded by

Sir,

With the exception of Schaller and Nielsen, nothing suspicious has been noticed in the movements of these men during the past week. Schaller visited Nanziang on the 27th ulto., Nielsen remained in the German Club from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. ~~in the~~ every day.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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27/12/16

Central Police Station.

December 27th 1916.

REPORT ON Various Suspects.

Made by D. S. Givens.

Forwarded by [Signature] Detective Inspector.

Sir,

None of the persons named in attached left Shanghai during the holidays. There ^{has been} nothing further suspicious noted in their movements.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. H. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

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27/12/16

Shanghai Municipal Police

Central Police Station.

December 30th, 1920.

REPORT ON Various Suspects.

Made by D.S. Givens.

Forwarded by Chief Detective Inspector.

Sir,

1. M. Rothchild visits the German Post Office, the ~~Dutch~~ ^{German} Bank and the German Consulate.
2. Schaller is often visited by Americans, the German Consul, and the Manager of the ~~Dutch~~ ^{German} Bank. He also visits the American Post Office.
3. J. C. Lewis is a frequent visitor of the Eagle & Globe Steel Co., Ltd., No. 8 Museum Road. He also visits the American Post Office.
4. Nothing peculiar has been noticed in the movements of Weil.
5. Dr. Vovetsch intends to go to ^(Shanghai) Chungking after the New Year. His offices are visited every afternoon by Nielsen.
6. H. Glaesser appears to lead a very regular, uneventful life. Nothing suspicious has been noticed in his movements.
7. Nielsen is said to be dealing in morphia. He visits the German Club, and the office of Doctor Vovetsch every day. Fromm visits Nielsen's dispensary every afternoon.
8. Nothing suspicious has been noticed in the movements of Hertzfeldt.
9. Nothing suspicious has been noticed about Dr. Ito. No Germans have visited his house during the past ten days.
There are five persons employed ^{living} watched the above suspects. These have been promised \$1.00 each day. As they are men who usually live a hand to mouth existence, I beg to apply to have their wages paid weekly. They have now been watching since 11th inst. Therefore there are now \$9.00 due to each man, making a total of \$45.00.

S.S. ^{David} _{A.H.}

Your obedient servant,

Chief Detective Inspector.

J. Nielsen D.S.

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In future a
weekly report, with
this attached, every
Wed will do.

A.H.

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14.12.16.

Kenneth C. Ramsden

C. I. D.
I. O. REG
No. 787
7/12/16
Municipal Police.

Central Police Station.

December 13th, 1916.

REPORT ON Various Subjects.

Made by D.S. Givens.

Forwarded by

Sir,

Regarding attached, I beg to report that H. Perry, Mains Foreman, Electricity Department, is about 32 years old, short, thick set, and clean shaven. He has dark hair, and usually wears a cap. He arrived here from England about two years ago. He was then in the employment of the British Isolated Helsby Cable Co. which had a contract with the Municipal Council ~~at that time~~. This work was finished about a year ago, and he then entered the employment of the Municipal Council. Perry has been watched for the past three days. He seems to spend most of his time at No. 47a Bubbling Well Road, a boarding house kept by the Misses Laplanche, French ladies.

1. M. Rothchild, of the China Produce Co., No. 112 Szechuen Road, is about 30 years old. He is of medium height and build and is clean shaven. He has light brown hair, and a ruddy complexion. He has been several years in Shanghai, and is probably an Austrian subject. He lives in the Kalee Hotel, and is said to have several Austrian and German friends.

2. Schaller, a German, who lives in the German Club, is about 50 years old. He has fair hair, and a heavy monstache. He is of medium height, and very strong build. He wears glasses, and is short sighted. He speaks English, French, German and Chinese fluently. He is employed in the German secret service. It is said that he is going to Mukden after the holidays.

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December 13th, 1916.

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3.

J. C. Lewis, an American, is about 35 years old, of medium height and build, and clean shaven. He has fair hair and white face. He usually wears grey clothes and a cap. He is a gun smuggler. He resides at 24 Haskell Road, and has no regular business. He travels about a good deal.

4.

Michel Weil, a native of Alsace, who is probably a German subject, is about 35 years old. He is below medium height and of thin build. He has dark hair and a small black monstache. He has been several years in Shanghai. He works with Soyka & Co. at No. 39 Canton Road, and lives at No. 271 Avenue Joffre.

5.

Dr. Vo^utetsch, late German Consul at Hongkong, is about 45 years old. He is of medium height and build. He has red hair, a red, Kaiser Mon^ustache, and pale features. He resides in the German Club, and works for the German Consulate. His letters are addressed to c/o Nielsen, No. 109 Chaotung Road. Dr. Vo^utetsch used to be manager of a company called Mercade & Co. This concern closed in 1915.

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H. Glaesser, a German, is about 35 years old. He is tall and thin. He has a reddish face, and wears spectacles. He is clean shaven. He has black hair. He has been in Shanghai for several years. He is employed in Arnhold, Karberg & Co^{Am. B. & Co.}, and lives at No. 191 Bubbling Well Road.

10. X. X.

Brobeck alias Lindu, who used to live at No. 10 Quinsan Gardens, left for America by the S.S. "China" on 19th November 1916.

7. X. X.

Nielsen, a German, is about 30 years old. He is of medium height and build. He has a white, serious face and black hair. He lives in the German Club, and keeps a chemist's shop in

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REPORT ON

Made by

Forwarded by

Chaotong Road. He is said be employed by the German Government as a spy.

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Ernest Hertzfeldt, a German, is about 35 years old. He is tall and fairly stout. He has a round white face, and is clean shaven. He is short sighted and wears glasses. He is employed in Werner, Rudenberg & Co., No. 77 Szechuen Road, and lives at No. 28 Carter Road, a boarding owned by a Mrs. M. Schutz.

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Dr. Ito, 1 Hou Foh Terrace, is tall and thin. He has a black beard, and is about 30 years old. He pretends to be a specialist in venereal disease. He has no town office.

So far nothing strange has been noted in the movements of these people. A further report will be submitted next Monday in accordance with instructions.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. A. Givens

Detective Sergeant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

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C.D.I. Please arrange the following:

1. Close watch on H. Perry, mains foreman, Engineering Dept. Lives at 23 N.S. Rd. Leaves about 6.45 a.m. for his work. Watch for 5 days.
2. Open watch till further orders on :-
 - ✓ (1). M. Rothchild, China Import & Export Co.
 - ✓ (2). Schaller, living at German Club.
 - ✓ (3). J.C. Lewis, at H. ...
 - ✓ (4). M. Wink
 - ✓ (5). Dr Voretsch, late German Consul at Hong Kong: now has an office called Mercaderes & Linfield Rd.
 - ✓ (6). ... Japanese, 1 Hou Tok Terrace who is often visited by Germans.
 - ✓ (7) H. Glaser, of Arms Dept. at Karberg & Co.
 - (8) Brobeck alias ... 10 Quinsan Rd.
 - ✓ (9) ...
 - ✓ (10) Ernest Hertzfeldt of Werner, Audenburg & Co.

Report every Monday &
Thursday

A.H.
9.12.11.

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Shanghai Municipal Police

W. POLICE.
S. I. D.
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Station.

June 28 1915

REPORT ON

Dr. Vortsch

Made by

Inspt. Eel

Forwarded by

Chief Detective Officer.

Sir,
Enquiries have been made but no
trace can be found of *Dr. Vortsch*

Your obedient servant -
A. Eel

C.D.O.

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JUN 28 1915

Attached photograph
was given to me by the
French Police and I
had it reproduced.
Schmidt has also
been making enquiries
but has not been able
to ascertain what the
original is in Shanghai.

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